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Sent: Wednesday, May 06, 2020 7:00 PM **To:** Gerald Bourque; Lavonne Kiser

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Subject: RE: Upcoming depositions for Michael and Rebecca Kelley; Holcombe, et al. vs. United

States of America; CFHOJ File No. 748.2036

Attachments: Holcombe v. United States - Michael Kelley - Subpoena to Produce Documents.pdf;

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Mr. Jackson and Mr. Bourque,

Thank you for the emails. You are correct that the United States intends to take the depositions of Michael and Rebecca Kelley. During a status conference on April 29, 2020, Judge Rodriguez granted the Government's requests to take these depositions. We seek to work with you (or whoever serves as their counsel) to schedule the depositions for a time and location convenient for the witnesses. Given the current travel restrictions, we plan to take these depositions remotely. Mr. Jackson mentioned Zoom as the likely application.

Please find attached, subpoenas for documents for both Michael and Rebecca Kelley. We have asked that the documents be produced within two weeks. Once the documents have been produced, we will be ready to move forward with the depositions. Once we select a date that is convenient for all parties, the Government will issue the deposition subpoenas. Please confirm that you will accept service on behalf of your client. And, please let me know if Rebecca Kelley will be represented by other counsel in this matter, so I can send them a copy as well.

Thank you, and I look forward to working with you.

Paul

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Gerald Bourque here. I am compelled to add that Mr & Mrs Kelley may have adverse positions in all of this. That means I may need to sit down with both to explain the potential conflicts of interest and then have each declare whether they want to waive those conflicts and proceed with one personal counsel or two separate personal lawyers. Therefore, please work with Mr Jackson in reaching an amicable resolution to these concerns so we can handle these depositions at the same time.

G Brq

Sent from my iPhone

On May 6, 2020, at 5:11 PM, Lavonne Kiser < lkiser@cfholaw.com> wrote:

Sent on behalf of J. Dean Jackson

All,

This email is being sent as a matter of full disclosure to all parties copied hereto. I have had conversations with Mr. Alsaffar, as well as Mr. Stern, regarding the upcoming deposition for Michael Kelley currently scheduled for May 14, 2020. From my conversations with Mr. Stern, it appears that Rebecca Kelley will need to be deposed as well. Seeing as how we are going to do these depositions via Zoom, I would like to do both depositions at the same time. As of today's date, we do not have any subpoena from the U.S. Government or the plaintiffs in the federal lawsuit by the victims of the Sutherland Springs shooting against the United States of America. While I understand this is a great tragedy, I still have an imminent responsibility to protect the interests of Mickey Kelley.

It is my understanding that Mr. Kelly has retained personal counsel, Gerald E. Bourque, who is a Board Certified capital murder defense lawyer who is copied on this email. Mr. Bourque, I welcome your comments or concerns regarding the upcoming depositions. Feel free to respond.

Additionally, from my conversations with Mr. Stern, it appears that the U.S. Government will want the deposition of Mrs. Kelley as well as subpoena documents from them. I have not received any such subpoena for documents and I do not know how voluminous or how much time it will take to assemble the same. The faster that we can come to an agreement on who needs to be deposed as well as what documents will need to be assembled prior to the deposition, the more tenable this will be for my clients. I can assure everyone on this email that I will not produce my client, Mickey Kelley, without sufficient notice to assemble documents that he may or may not be questioned on. Additionally, I do not yet have authority to represent Rebecca Kelley in the above-referenced matter.

Mr. Stern, if you do intend to depose Rebecca Kelley, I would respectfully request that you send the subpoena for her presence, as well as a subpoena for documents, at your earliest possible time so that I may get authorization to represent her as well as Mickey Kelley. During our phone conversation, I explained to Mr. Stern that I have a limited role in only representing

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Mickey Kelley in the lawsuit against the U.S. Government. This authorization will obviously take time to obtain, if at all.

I would respectfully request that all parties get on the same page with regard to what Mr. Kelley, and possibly Mrs. Kelley, will be asked to produce as well as when they will be asked to present. It is my understanding that Mr. Stern has an issue with the May 14th date which is currently scheduled for Mickey Kelley's deposition. That being said, I would appreciate, if not demand, everyone's agreement on the date in which my clients are to be deposed (which I would assume would be on the same day) as well as the documents in which they are going to be subpoenaed to produce.

Your prompt response is greatly appreciated.

All my best and I hope everyone is staying safe.

/s/ J. Dean Jackson

Thank you!

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